

SENATE BILL 324

By Beavers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3,
Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to periodic review of
Tennessee Code Annotated.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following language as a new section:

3-1-120. Each standing committee of the house of representatives and the
senate shall conduct a periodic review of those portions of Tennessee Code Annotated
regulating subject matter generally referred to such standing committee to remove
ineffective, defective or anachronistic laws. The review shall be conducted as follows:

(1) The speakers, acting jointly, with the advice of the director of the
office of legal services, shall determine which titles shall be assigned to the
appropriate standing committee;

(2) The titles shall be assigned in such a manner that no duplicative
study shall occur, provided, that in the discretion of the speakers, the
corresponding standing committee of each house may conduct a joint study of
those titles assigned by the speakers;

(3) The study of those titles assigned to each standing committee shall
be accomplished in such a manner as to complete the cycle every ten (10) years;

(4) The permanent research staff assigned to each committee, working in
conjunction with the office of legal services, shall develop a methodology to
insure that an equal number of titles assigned to each standing committee shall
be studied over such ten-year period. Such personnel shall present a report to
the appropriate standing committee by October of each year with any proposed

recommendations for revisions to remove ineffective, defective or anachronistic laws. The standing committees shall meet during the interval between sessions of the general assembly and take any action deemed necessary by the standing committee on the recommendations presented to the committee. As directed by each standing committee, the director of the office of legal services shall prepare legislation to effectuate the committee's recommendations for amendment or repeal of such ineffective, defective or anachronistic laws.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.